OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AT MARCH 2003 EDUCATION BREAKFAST – TUES. 3/25

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Recent positive events for education

• Congrats to Commissioner Potter – He's officially on the job now.

- Successful confirmations:
 - 1. State Board (Claude Hartley, Dr. Lavon Fluker Reed, Rosetta Richards)
 - 2. State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (Patricia Randall, Dr. Dorothy Smith Nelson, Noel Akins, General Brackeen, George Walker, Brenda Yonge, Napolean Moore)
 - 3. Dr. Johnson also confirmed
- NCLB plan approved by USDE (6th state in nation to be approved)
- Salary issue resolved

Outstanding legislative issues

• Conference weekend this weekend – general budget/appropriation bills

<u>Upcoming events/issues</u>

- We had a very productive meeting with the early childhood task force that will work with Dr. Sharon Lynn Kagan (Columbia University) and Dr. Rick Brandon (University of Washington) on March 6. Work groups meeting April 24 and 25.
- Southern Growth Policies Board Annual Meeting in Biloxi, June 1-3. Registration and agenda info available via www.southern.org.

Frank is out of town for the Clarke County job fair. Allen's daycare opens at 7:00. I'll be to the mansion ASAP after dropping Allen off, but I won't be there right at 7:00.